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INFORMATION REPORT

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Aircraft Count

- On 24 January 1953 there were seven MIG-15 aircraft and 35 to 40 IL-10 aircraft at this airfield. Of these aircraft, six MIG 15's were dispersed on the north-east side of the airfield and another MIG 15 stood near the hangars. The IL-10 aircraft were dispersed in two rows between the dispersed MIG-15 aircraft and the hangars.
- The MIG-15 aircraft were silver in colour [redacted]
[redacted] The IL-10's were olive green [redacted]
- Apart from two guards near these aircraft, no other personnel were observed.

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Flying Activity

- There was no flying activity at this airfield on 24 January 1953. The weather was 10/10ths cloud at 3,000 feet with poor visibility.

A.A. Defences

- An A.A. site which consists of six A.A. guns of 3.7 cms caliber is still in the same position at the north-east corner of the airfield. Two guards were posted 50 meters from the site.

Aircraft Shelters etc.

- There are 30 to 40 shelters at this airfield and in addition there is a type of hangar which is half sunk into the ground and has protective roofing. This shelter is close to the most easterly hangar.

25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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Uniform

7. Enlisted men including guards wore pale blue Shoulderboards with black piping a number wearing the flying badge. Officers wore gold shouldboards with pale blue piping and the flying badge. A.A. personnel wore black shoulderboards with red piping.

8. The following vehicles were observed in the vicinity of the airfield:

Truck, airforce driver proceeding in the direction of the town with about 15 airforce troops.

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Truck airforce driver standing empty on the road leading to the airfield from the town of Zebrest.

Truck airforce driver, proceeding empty in the direction of the airfield.

Comment: Observations of Zerbst airfield up to 16 January indicated the presence there of only MIG-15 aircraft belonging to two fighter regiments. The observation of IL-10 aircraft on 24 January cannot be explained unless they were stationed there only temporarily.

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